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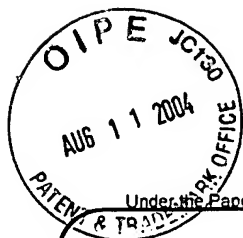
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This IDS is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (b).

REMARKS

Applicant and his attorney are aware of the following publications and information, listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), this statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (3)). No fee or certification is required. In the event that a first Office Action on the merits has been issued, please consider this IDS under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and see the certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) below, or, if no certification has been made, please charge our deposit account a the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

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It is anticipated that the Examiner will conduct a thorough search of the prior art and will carefully consider each of the said documents cited herein.

It is respectfully requested that each of the documents shown on the attached substitute form for PTO-1449 / PTO/SB08A be made of record in this application. Copies of these documents are enclosed herewith.

Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

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